

- (i) Products to be sold should be a 'Single Brand' only.
- (ii) Products should be sold under the same brand internationally.
- (iii) 'Single Brand' product-retailing would cover only products which are branded during manufacturing.

(c) The policy is expected to encourage sourcing from India and provide market access to domestic suppliers. As branded products cater to the brand conscious middle-class clientele, existing small retailers are not likely to be affected by allowing FDI in the retail trade of 'Single Brand' products. Allowing FDI in retailing of 'Single Brand' products would, while meeting the growing demand of such products, also bring in investments and provide access to modern technology and best practices not only in retailing but also in related support services, and in developing supply chain logistics.

(d) Government remains committed to initiating, where necessary, suitable measures for safeguarding the legitimate interests of the Indian Industry & consumer.

**Streamlining payment of compensation to
land owners in SEZs**

876. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether in the matter of grant of compensation to the land-owners upon their lands being acquired for setting up SEZs or any project, the land owners and the displaced persons have always been at the losing end;

(b) if so, whether a law to streamline the process of payment of compensation to the land owners and displaced persons, and to protect their interests in the matter of their rehabilitation is on the anvil; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) Each State acquires land for various purposes which are governed by the Land Acquisition Act of 1894 extensively amended in 1971. Each State has its own compensation

and Relief & Rehabilitation measures depending upon the requirements and necessities of respective States and these are applicable for acquisition of land for SEZs also.

(b) and (c) The Ministry of Rural Development is currently formulating a revised National Rehabilitation Policy 2007 with the objective to minimize displacement and to promote, as far as possible, non-displacing or least displacing alternatives, ensure adequate rehabilitation packages and expeditious implementation of the rehabilitation process with the active participation of the displaced persons. As and when the new policy is implemented, it will apply to acquisition of land for industrial projects including SEZs.

Rehabilitation and Resettlement Policy for displaced farmers

877. SHRI K.E. ISMAIL:
SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether setting up of Special Economic Zones (SEZs) entails, acquiring a large area of agricultural land;

(b) if so, the details of the SEZs set up during the last three years, those proposed to be set up and the quantum of agricultural land at stake in each SEZ, State-wise;

(c) whether agriculturists, whose lands have been acquired for SEZs are not getting adequate value/compensation for their lands;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether Government are considering a new Rehabilitation and Resettlement Policy in respect of the displaced farmers; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) and (b) Minimum Area required for setting up Special Economic Zone (SEZ) is prescribed under Rule 5 of the SEZ Rules, 2006 published in part II Section 3 sub section (i), the Gazette of India Extraordinary, Dated 10th February, 2006 GSR No. 54(E).